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S.B. No. 1683

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility of certain inmates for release on mandatory supervision.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 508.149(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) An inmate who is serving a sentence for or has been previously convicted of an offense under Section 19.04, 20A.02, 21.12, 22.041, 22.05, 22.07, or 22.09, Penal Code, may not be released to mandatory supervision if a parole panel determines that ~~+~~

~~[(1) the inmate's accrued good conduct time is not an accurate reflection of the inmate's potential for rehabilitation;~~
~~and~~

~~[(2)]~~ the inmate's release would endanger the public.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to any inmate serving a term of imprisonment in a facility operated by or under contract with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice on or after the effective date of this Act, regardless of when the inmate was sentenced to serve that term.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.